

HOUSE BILL 3205

By Richardson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 60, Chapter 1 and Title 69, Chapter 3, Part 1, relative to oil and gas production.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 60-1-103, is amended by inserting a new subsection (b) and by appropriately redesignating subsequent subsections:

(b) The board shall adopt regulations governing standards for groundwater protection including standards for casings, cementing and sealing and testing of wells, which are no less stringent than those adopted by the American Petroleum Institute in Guidance Document HF1, First Edition, Hydraulic Fracturing Operations—Well Construction and Integrity Guidelines, October 2009, or any later revision of such standards. The initial regulations required by this section shall be effective no later than November 1, 2012.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.